

Binghamton Metropolitan Transportation Study
Pedestrian & Bicycle Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
July 13, 2015

In attendance:

Scott Reigle	BMTS
Christine Muss	BCHD
Nick Ceconi	MMSCNY
Cassandra Gascon	BMTS
Marie Hebdon	NYS-DOT
Carlos Basualdo	NYS-DOT
Ian Witham	NYS-DOT
Kathryn Mangan	NYS-DOT

Convene 1:42 p.m.

June 18th Minutes – Motion was made by Scott to approve minutes, seconded by Cassondra - accepted as is.

Topic	Discussion	Action
Snack & Roadway Needs Report:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scott noted that there needs to be a bike ramp installed at the north side of the South Washington Street Bridge. Currently, bikers have to make an almost 90 degree turn from North Shore Drive onto the bridge. Scott met with the City's Assistant Engineer and hopes the ramp will be implemented this summer. The ramp will follow the same design as the JC roundabout. 	
Newspaper Articles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nothing to report. 	
Report: Broome-Tioga Rideshare/Get There	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scott reported that they are having trouble with the BT Rideshare link. NY 511 and the county IT department will be working together to resolve this. Users can access the website via NY511 Rideshare website. - Nick reported that he is still the only one in the office at this time. They may have a new Americorps member soon. They are also waiting to hear back about the FT 5311 and 5310 funding applications. - Nick also noted that they will soon be reviving the transportation coordination group in Tioga County. Since Tioga County no longer has any public transportation, this group will meet to discuss how to 	Nick will let group know when dates/times are for transportation consolidation group meetings.

	improve transportation in the county. In addition, if in the future they want to secure any FTA grants, they must show collaboration efforts.	
Subcommittee- Cycling Skills Clinics/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Visions Family Fun Day Volunteers Needed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Saturday, September 26th 11am-2pm o Located at 3301 Country Club Road, Endwell 	Email Christine if you are able to volunteer at the clinics.
Subcommittee- Binghamton Bridge Pedal/ Input for 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Saturday, August 29, 2015 at 9AM. This event is being organized in conjunction with the Center for Technology and Innovation (a.k.a. TechWorks!). Admission will be \$10 for adults, \$3 for children and will include the t-shirt and ice cream. Registration is online and can be accessed from the websites listed to the right. - Scott showed the group the new logo that Cassandra designed. They will be using the same 9 mile route as last year. There will be 3 stops along the way with discussion on a different topic at each: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Otsiningo Park – trail projects and reconstruction o Kennedy Park – public art (new murals, mosaics and artistic bike parking) o S.Wash. St. Bridge – funding for 434 Greenway and other trail projects 	Binghamton Bridge Pedal links: www.ctandi.org www.bmtsonline.com/bmts
Subcommittee- Safe Route to School/Complete Streets –	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cassandra reported on her work with the Binghamton Crossing Guard analysis. She displayed maps that showed current locations of crossing guards, traffic counts, accident locations and location of pedestrian signals. This information will be shared with BPD and they will then decide how to eliminate crossing guards. 	
Other- BMTS Long Range Plan – Public Input	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scott reported that they had three public input meetings: Owego, Binghamton University and Town of Dickinson. The meetings were small in attendance however it resulted in good discussion among the group. They are still encouraging people to complete the online survey. - The draft plan is due August 14th. There will be another open period to comment until September 11th. The plan will approved by the end of September. 	Please take our survey at: http://Lookingforward2040.questionpro.com
Other- Route 434 Greenway Project –	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scott reported that the City of Binghamton will be applying for funding to complete the 434 Greenway trail from downtown Binghamton to Binghamton University campus. They are gathering 	

Consolidated Funding Application	<p>letters of support to emphasize the need for the trail and to show how it is part of a greater trail system. The project will cost between \$7-8 million for construction. The project is so costly due to the construction of retaining walls and efforts to reduce flooding. Mark Newman will be donating the land in front of University Plaza which will help to reduce some costs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The trail will run from the South Washington St. Bridge to Rt. 434 to MacArthur Park and then continue onto Vestal Ave to BU. 	
Other- View Bike Safety Video Clips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scott showed the group some bike safety video clips out of Canada. - See City of Edmonton's Award Winning Bicycle Safety Videos at http://www.edmonton.ca/transportation/cycling_walking/cycling-video-gallery.aspx 	
Additional Others	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Carlos commented on the parking study and how there needs to be better efforts made with handicapped parking. Many of the parking spaces downtown and in the ramp are just regular parking spaces with a handicapped sign and do not meet ADA requirements. These spots should have additional room that is stripped so wheelchairs and disabled individuals can get out of the car comfortably. 	Scott will share these comments with Cyndi Paddick who is on the Parking Study Steering Committee.

Adjourn: 2:53 p.m.

Next Meeting: No August meeting.

Monday, September 14th, 1:30 p.m.